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Rev. T. CAMPBELL, Pastor.

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Rev. C. A. CARY, Rector.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH—Class meeting 10:30; Sunday school 12:30. Evening services 7:30; prayer meetings Tuesday and Friday at 7:30 p. m.
Rev. J. A. ALLEN, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Morning service 10:30; Sunday school 12:30. Evening service 7:30. Young people's meeting Tuesday evening 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30.
Rev. E. J. HARRIS, Pastor.

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ALMA Chapter, No. 123, B. A. M. Regular meetings on Saturday night after full moon.
W. A. PAINE, Sec'y. W. S. TURCK, H. P.

ALMA LODGE, F. & A. M.—Regular meetings on Saturday or before full moon.
B. S. WEBB, W. M. W. A. PAINE, Sec'y

ALMA CHAPTER, O. E. S. No. 43—Regular meetings on the first Friday of each month.
Mrs. LUISA A. TURCK, W. Matron. Mrs. J. S. CARLE, Sec'y.

O. A. R.—William Meyer Post, No. 152, Department of Michigan, O. A. R., meet on 2d and 4th Saturday of each month.
E. N. CHADWICK, Commander. Wm. GARRETT, Adjutant.

W. M. MOYER RELIEF CORPS, No. 153, meet every second and fourth Wednesday in each month at G. A. R. hall.
Mrs. ADA GRIGIO, MRS. LOUISE TURCK, Secretary.

ROYAL ARCANUM—A reads Council No. 133, meets every other Wednesday night at I. O. O. F. hall.
I. N. BRAINARD, Regent. A. W. BECKNER, Sec'y.

NIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Fitz James Lodge, No. 95, K. of P., hold its regular meetings every other Wednesday night.
B. M. HUTCHINSON, C. C. C. L. CHADWICK, K. of R. & S.

ALMA LODGE, I. O. O. F. meets Monday evening.
JOHN GLASS, N. G. G. E. WILSON, R. S.

SUPERIOR LODGE, D. of R. Regular meet 10:30 Friday afternoon.
MRS. ELLEN WORTHINGTON, N. G. MRS. KATE DAVIDSON, R. S.

ALMA ENCAMPMENT, No. 62, I. O. O. F. meet every first and third Tuesday in each month.
D. COLEMAN, Chief Patriarch. F. ELLICOTT, Scribe.

K. O. T. M. Regular reviews of Alma Tent, No. 334, are held every alternate Wednesday night at 8:30 in I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting members of the Order are welcome.
I. T. LEMESSURIER, Com. EUGENE TAYLOR, R. S.

O. T. M. Alma Hive, No. 332, meets alternate Friday afternoon, 2 o'clock; I. O. O. F. hall. Visitors always cordially welcomed.
MRS. E. C. FERRIS, L. C. MRS. ANNA LEONARD, R. S.

O. F. Court Alma, No. 778, holds its regular meetings in the G. A. R. Hall, Wright block, on the second Thursday in each month at 8 p. m. local time. Visitors welcome.
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Omaha, Neb., A. O. H., May 8 to 12.
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Benton Harbor, Mich., Knights of Pythias, May 16 and 17.

Cleveland, O., Western Gas Association, May 18 to 19.

Saratoga, N. Y. Presby. General Assembly, May 17 to 22.

Ask our agents for further particulars.
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DECORATION DAY.

The G. A. R. Post held a public meeting in their hall last Saturday evening, to which the citizens were also invited, to consider the proper observance of Memorial or Decoration Day. It was decided to hold appropriate services on May 30, at such place as could be obtained, and a committee of five was appointed to make all the necessary arrangements. It was also resolved to extend a general invitation to all the citizens, and a special invitation to all the civic organizations, to participate with the soldiers in the observance of the day. The program will be published next week. Now let all the citizens turn out and show their interest in the cause for which the soldiers hazarded their lives. We owe it to those brave souls who have died that their memories be kept green, and a fitting commemoration made of their brave deeds. But even more than that, we need it for the instruction in loyalty and patriotism of the generation just coming on the scene of action. We need it as an object lesson to the foreigners who through our shores, fugitives from the despotisms of Europe. No nation is safe that is not enshrined in its people's hearts, whose bulwarks are not forts, cannon or ships, but the brave and loyal breasts of its citizens. Decoration Day is pre-eminently our day for teaching patriotism to our people. As yet we have plenty of object lessons in our war-scarred veterans. Let us so teach in these days, that in time to come, if there be need, men shall be found to repeat the valorous deeds of our old soldiers. To this end let every loyal citizen turn out on Decoration Day, and dedicate the day to patriotism.

Church Notes.

Messrs. Connolly and Struble, the evangelists, at the M. E. church are holding very successful meetings and to crowded houses.

At the Presbyterian Church next Sunday, the pastor will preach in the morning on "Drifting," and in the evening on John Calvin.

Special meetings for men only and for women only will be held in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches next Sunday at three o'clock. Evangelist Connolly will address the women's meeting at the Presbyterian Church and Evangelist Struble will speak to the men in the M. E. Church. The subject will be "The Lord's Table and the Devil's Table," illustrated by object lessons. These talks will be of special interest. Everybody invited.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Pattingill has completed the work of making the eighteenth semi-annual apportionment of the primary school interest fund among the several counties of the state. Gratiot has 9,099 children and gets \$7,552.64.

The Ingham County News published an article last week signed by the pastors of that place to protest against the custom of appointing funerals for the Sabbath day. They think with the present advancement in the art of embalming, any competent undertaker can preserve the body and the additional labor imposed upon the pastor for the accommodation of the crowd who would not inconvenience themselves enough to go to church on a week day, is unjustifiable.

The Bancroft Company are progressing well with their Book of the Fair, which is pronounced as the finest and most important publication connected with the great Exposition. In fact it has no rival; there are art works and works of descriptive history, and catalogues, and directories, but there is no other publication which unites all in a complete and perfect historical and descriptive work of art. Its text is by Hubert Howe Bancroft, and its pictures by the best artists America and Europe can produce. Next to the Fair itself in importance is the faithful reproduction of it in printer's ink for permanent preservation. Most of the buildings have been torn down and their contents removed, but the Book will remain to teach and preach the world's completest civilization throughout all time. In this respect the representation is better than the original, because one is effervescent, the other immortal. For an important work, securely lodged in all the libraries of the world, cannot die.

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On motion the minutes of last meeting are read and approved as corrected.

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The following claims were allowed and clerk instructed to issue orders.

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Howe Co. No. 2:—W. Kelly, D. Fitzgerald, E. Brown, P. M. Smith, John Gladding, Geo. Sharrar, Bing Lewis, F. Medler, W. Smith, Walter Vile, Jess Walker, John Sartor, R. W. Fredricks, Wm. Ziesenheim, VanDenburgh, Joe Sartor, Ed. Hutchins, Walter Bogart, Caris Brown, M. Medler.

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On motion council adjourned.
T. A. Ely, President. S. Turck, Clerk.

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But Bill was a man to be feared rather than respected. He was an inveterate card player and cheated and robbed at the tables with the pleasantest grace imaginable. He and McCaul became chums and batched together in a cabin. McCaul had just as bad a character as Bill, but he had never the opportunities to prove it, and if he had he would probably have been dead before Deadwood came into existence. At any rate, he was not used to play bridge with every one they could get to put his legs under the table with them. While this process of fleeing was going on Bill and his partner pretended to be perfect strangers to each other.

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